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## **Amendments to the Transportation Appropriations Bill**

NOTE: Under an open rule new amendments may be offered without advanced notice.

## **Amendments Printed in the Congressional Record:**

**Andrews** (#1) -- amendment reducing the amount allocated to the Amtrak Reform Council by \$335,000. The bill currently provides \$785,000, \$37,000 more than last year and equal to the request. A similar amendment passed by voice vote last year.

**DeFazio** (#2) -- amendment increasing the amount allocated to the Office of the Secretary – Salaries & Expenses -- by \$720,000 (currently funded at \$4.6 million above last year and \$1.8 million below the request), while decreasing the Federal Aviation Administration's operations (currently \$340 million above last year and \$16 million below the request) by the same amount.

**Jackson-Lee** (#3) -- amendment striking a prohibition in the bill thus allowing the use of money allocated in H.R. 2299 for light rail construction in Houston, Texas. The current prohibition was included by Majority Whip DeLay.

**Jackson-Lee** (#4) -- amendment that requires \$5 million of total funding for the Federal Highway Administration be available for the operation of the control center that monitors traffic in Houston Texas, known as "Houston TransStar." **Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.** 

**Traficant** (#5) -- amendment that prohibits appropriated funds from being made available for any person or entity convicted of violating the Buy American Act.

## Other Potential Amendments (Identified by the Republican Conference):

**Ney and Sabo** -- amendment that makes funding of processing Mexican motor carrier applications to operate beyond the current commercial zone conditional upon the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration implementing a procedure whereby such carriers are first evaluated as satisfactory under the motor carrier new entrant safety review procedures. **Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.** 

**Young (AK)** -- amendment that restores \$10 million in funding for the Small Community Air Service Development Pilot program.

**Young** (**AK**) -- amendment that appropriates \$74.3 million from existing appropriated amounts for the border infrastructure and safety inspection activities that were included within TEA-21's "Borders and Corridors" program.

**Young (AK)** -- amendment that fully funds the president's request for additional funding for NAFTA border safety and inspection activities, but makes such funding contingent upon an emergency declaration by the President and Congress. **Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.** 

**LoBiondo** -- amendment that increases funds for Coast Guard operations and acquisitions to \$5.3 billion. These funds are consistent with the FY 2002 budget resolution. **Without an Offset, Should Be Subject to a Point of Order.** 

## **Other Potential Amendments:**

**Moran (VA) or another Member --** amendment striking the language requiring to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to properly identify Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. The language was added to the bill through an amendment offered by Rep. Tiahrt.